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DEATH PUNCH-UP DRIVER FREED!

Hole-in-heart dad died of excitement



William McKinley ... he was admonished



DOUGLAS STEWART

A MINOR bump between two cars ended with 39-year-old Douglas Stewart lying dying in front of his home - after being punched and kicked by the other driver.

And yesterday, 27-year-old Porsche driver William McKinley - originally charged with murder - walked **FREE**.

The High Court in Edinburgh heard that father-of-two Douglas had a heart defect and died from "excitement".

The Crown accepted McKinley's not guilty plea to culpable homicide.

McKinley, a £900-a-month oil rig worker, of Fillyside

Avenue, Edinburgh, admitted punching Stewart once on the face, knocking him to the ground causing his head to hit railings and kicking him.

He also admitted a drinking and driving charge - his breath count was 58, which is 23 above the legal limit.

After hearing the court's verdict, distraught widow Joyce Stewart sobbed and said:

"What began as just a bump between two cars ended with my husband lying brain-dead on a life support machine."

"All I want to know is why there is nobody in jail because of this."

Joyce relived the horror of the day she and 10-year-old son Craig watched the fracas that ended in Douglas's death on March 21 only yards from their home in Craiginny Road, Edinburgh.

Advocate depute Charles Turn to Page Five

Mrs T wants English back in Europe

By SHEREE DODD
MARGARET Thatcher is backing English club football's bid to get back into Europe.

She's supporting a report by sports chief Colin Moynihan recommending an end to the five-year Heyssel tragedy ban.

And she's planning to cash in on World Cup euphoria down south ... with a Downing Street reception for the England team.

Advisers have told her it's a not-to-be-missed chance to boost her popularity.

Thatcher spoke to Moynihan by phone from the economic summit in Houston yesterday.

Tight

He will today reveal the report he is sending to Euro football chiefs.

It is expected to give Government backing to an English return - but with some restrictions.

Moynihan will want strict match-day alcohol bans and tight control of ticket allocation.

And he may even advise banning fans from flashpoint matches.

If the Euro clamp is lifted, Man United will play in the Cup Winners' Cup and Aston Villa in the UEFA Cup. That would almost certainly wipe out Celtic's last hopes of a Euro place.

English champions Liverpool - whose fans sparked the 1985 Heyssel tragedy - face a further year's exile.



Joyce Stewart and son Craig who saw the bust-up



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